

Livestock Review

Cattle...

As of January 1, 2011, there were 195,000 total head of cattle and calves in Maryland. Beef cow numbers increased from the previous year to 42,000 head while milk cows dropped to 53,000 head. Beef replacement heifers increased from the previous year by 1,000 to a total of 10,000 head, and the total milk cow replacement heifers remained unchanged from last year at 28,000 head. Steers over 500 pounds decreased to 15,000 head, down 3,000 from last year. The 2010 calf crop totaled 78,000 calves, up five percent from 2009 crop. In 2010, the average price for cattle increased to \$84.60 per hundredweight from \$76.30 the previous year. Marketings increased from 2009 to 76.6 million pounds. In 2010, total cash receipts for cattle and calves were \$66.3 million, an increase of \$18 million from 2009.



Hogs...

The total inventory of all hogs and pigs as of December 1, 2010, was 26,000 head in Maryland, down thirteen percent from a year earlier. The number of breeding hogs at 3,000 head is down 1,000 from 2009. Market Hogs decreased from 26,000 head in 2009 to 23,000 in 2010. The number of sows farrowed decreased by 500 head from last year to 7,500 head. In 2010, the pig crop increased to 68,000, up six percent from 2009. In 2010, the average price for hogs and pigs was \$54.90 per hundredweight, up \$14.90 from the 2009 price of \$40.00. Cash receipts for hogs totaled \$10.10 million, an increase of 42 percent from 2009.

